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1 AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL 1758

2 AMENDMENT NO. _____. Amend House Bill 1758, AS AMENDED, by
3 replacing everything after the enacting clause with the
4 following:

5 "Section 5. The Illinois Public Aid Code is amended by
6 adding Section 5-2.4 as follows:

7 (305 ILCS 5/5-2.4 new)

8 Sec. 5-2.4. Pilot project; certain persons with
9 disabilities.

10 (a) The Department of Healthcare and Family Services shall
11 operate a pilot project to determine the effect of raising the
12 income and non-exempt asset eligibility thresholds for certain
13 persons with disabilities on those persons' ability to maintain
14 their homes in the community and avoid institutionalization.
15 Enrollment under the pilot project shall be limited to 50
16 persons per year. Persons who become eligible under this

1 project shall remain eligible for medical assistance unless
2 they no longer meet the standards under which they were
3 determined eligible under the project. Eligibility for medical
4 assistance under this Section shall cease once a person obtains
5 other health coverage considered adequate to meet his or her
6 health care needs.

7 (b) Persons who meet all of the following criteria may be
8 enrolled under the pilot project:

9 (1) they initially enrolled for medical assistance
10 under paragraph 2(a)(ii) of Section 5-2;

11 (2) subsequent to initial enrollment, they are
12 otherwise qualified under paragraph 2(a)(i) of Section
13 5-2, except that their income, as determined by the
14 Department, exceeds 100% of the poverty guidelines updated
15 periodically in the Federal Register by the U.S. Department
16 of Health and Human Services under authority of 42 U.S.C.
17 9902(2) ("the federal poverty income guidelines");

18 (3) they were at least 60 years of age but less than 65
19 years of age upon initial enrollment for medical
20 assistance;

21 (4) they have income no greater than 200% of the
22 federal poverty income guidelines; and

23 (5) they have non-exempt assets no greater than
24 \$10,000.

25 (c) In order to provide for the expeditious and timely
26 implementation of this Section, the Department of Healthcare

1 and Family Services may adopt rules necessary to implement this
2 Section through the use of emergency rulemaking in accordance
3 with Section 5-45 of the Illinois Administrative Procedure Act.
4 The General Assembly finds that the adoption of rules to
5 implement this Section is deemed an emergency and necessary for
6 the public interest, safety, and welfare.

7 (d) This Section is repealed on June 30, 2012.

8 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
9 becoming law.".